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A10.16 Tunnels, Shafts and Caissons
A10.17 Safe Operating Practices for Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) Construction
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1. GENERAL

1.1 Scope. This standard applies to those emergency procedures involving:

1. Fires, collapses, hazardous spills and other emergencies that could endanger workers;

2. Emergency rescue of injured or ill workers or other persons, or of uninjured workers unable to rescue themselves;

3. Onsite provision of first aid and emergency medical care;

4. Evacuation and transportation of injured or ill workers to appropriate emergency medical facilities;

5. Pre-planning and coordination of emergency plan with emergency medical facilities; and

6. Training on emergency procedures/plans for workers and other groups.

1.2 Purpose. The purpose of this standard is to provide guidelines for the development of emergency procedures for construction sites.

1.3 Exceptions. Where completion of these requirements is impractical or would present significant hardship, or where other extenuating circumstances exist, the enforcing authority may permit alternative methods, but only when it is clearly evident and documented that equivalent methods and means of protection are used.

2. REFERENCED STANDARDS

2.1 OSHA Standards and Requirements for Emergencies. All applicable OSHA and related state regulations related to emergency activities and rescue shall be followed, such as but not limited to:

29 CFR 1926.33, Access to Employee Exposure and Medical Records (See 29 CFR 1910.1020 for text)

29 CFR 1926.35, Employee Emergency Action Plans

29 CFR 1926.50, Medical Services and First Aid

29 CFR 1926.59, Hazard Communication (See 29 CFR 1910.1200 for text) such as paragraphs (e), (f), (g) and (h)

29 CFR 1926.64, Process Safety Management of Highly Hazardous Chemicals such as paragraphs (e), (f), (g), (h), (j), (m) and (o)

29 CFR 1926.65, Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response such as paragraphs (b), (c), (f), (l), (p) and (q)

29 CFR 1926.106, Working Over or Near Water

29 CFR 1926.150, Fire Protection and Prevention

29 CFR 1926.151, Fire Prevention

29 CFR 1926.200, Accident Prevention Signs and Tags

29 CFR 1926.502, Fall Protection Systems Criteria and Practices such as paragraph (d)

29 CFR 1926.800, Underground Construction such as paragraph (g)